

b.) Amendments to the claims:

I claim:

1 (Currently amended): A dental impression tray comprising a frame having limbs spaced apart, each of said limbs having outer and inner edges; a support spanning the inner edges of said limbs and forming a support for dental impression material; an upstanding wall adjacent the outer edge of at least one of said limbs; and a row of projections adjacent the inner edge of said one of said limbs, said projections being spaced from the adjacent wall and from one another, the space between the wall and said projections of said one of said limbs forming a web, said web having a plurality of openings extending therethrough.

2 (Canceled): The tray according to claim 1 wherein the space between the wall and said projections of said one of said limbs forms a web, said web having a plurality of openings extending therethrough.

3 (Currently amended): The tray according to claim [[2]] 1 wherein said openings are located between adjacent ones of said projections.

4 (Original): The tray according to claim 3 wherein others of said openings are located outboard of opposite ends of the associated row.

5 (Original): The tray according to claim 1 wherein said wall extends in one direction only from said one of said limbs.

6 (Original): The tray according to claim 1 wherein said wall extends in opposite directions from said one of said limbs.

7 (Original): The tray according to claim 6 wherein the projections of said row thereof extend in opposite directions from said one of said limbs.

8 (Original): The tray according to claim 1 wherein said support is formed by open mesh netting.

9 (Original): The tray according to claim 1 including a second limb substantially parallel to said one of said limbs.

10 (Currently amended): The tray according to claim 9 wherein said one of said limbs ~~an~~ and said second limb are joined at corresponding ends by a connector.

11 (Original): The tray according to claim 10 wherein each of said limbs has a thickness greater than that of said connector.

12 (Original): The tray according to claim 9 wherein said limbs are substantially parallel to one another.

13 (Currently amended): The tray according to claim 1 including a handle attached to and extending from said one ~~e~~ of said limbs.

14 (Original): The tray according to claim 1 wherein said tray has the configuration of a selected one of a full arch, quadrant, anterior, and posterior dental tray.

15 (Currently Amended): A dental impression tray comprising a frame having substantially parallel limbs joined at corresponding ends by an arcuate connector, said limbs having free opposite ends, said limbs having outer and inner edges spaced by a web; a support for dental impression material spanning the inner edges of said limbs; and an upstanding wall adjacent the outer edge of each of said limbs, said web being pierced by a plurality of spaced apart openings arranged in a row.

16 (Original): The tray according to claim 15 including a row of

upstanding projections adjacent the inner edge of each of said limbs, said projections being spaced from one another and from the adjacent wall.

17 (Original): The tray according to claim 16 wherein said wall extends beyond the level of said web a distance greater than that of said projections.

18 (Original): The tray according to claim 16 wherein selected ones of said openings are located between adjacent ones of said projections and others of said openings are outboard of said row of projections.

19 (Original): The tray according to claim 16 wherein said upstanding wall and said projections extend in opposite directions beyond the level of said web.

20 (New): A dental impression tray comprising a frame having limbs spaced apart, each of said limbs having outer and inner edges; a support spanning the inner edges of said limbs and forming a support for dental impression material; an upstanding wall adjacent the outer edge of at least one of said limbs; and a plurality of projections in a row adjacent the inner edge of said one of said limbs, said projections being free from the adjacent wall and spaced from one another by a gap.

21 (New): The tray according to claim 20 wherein the space between the wall and said projections of said one of said limbs forms a web, said web having a plurality of openings extending therethrough.

22 (New): The tray according to claim 21 wherein said openings are located between adjacent ones of said projections.